

**142C.5A Search and notification.**

1. The following persons shall make a reasonable search of an individual who the person reasonably believes is dead or near death for a document of gift or other information identifying the individual as a donor or as an individual who made a refusal:

*a.* A law enforcement officer, fire fighter, paramedic, or other emergency rescuer finding the individual.

*b.* If no other source of the information is immediately available, a hospital, as soon as practical after the individual's arrival at the hospital.

2. If a document of gift or a refusal to make an anatomical gift is located by the search required by [subsection 1](#), paragraph “a”, and the individual or deceased individual to whom it relates is taken to a hospital, the person responsible for conducting the search shall deliver the document of gift or refusal to the hospital.

3. A person is not subject to criminal or civil liability for failing to discharge the duties imposed by [this section](#) but may be subject to administrative sanctions.

[2007 Acts, ch 44, §7](#)